

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Hideyuki Okano et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1633
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Application No.: 10/571,277)	Examiner: Maria G. Leavitt
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Filed: March 9, 2006)	
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For: METHODS FOR ENHANCING)	Confirmation No.: 6053
SURVIVAL AND/OR PROLIFERATION)	
OF NEURAL STEM CELLS AND)	
NEURITE EXTENSION, ENHANCERS)	
THEREFOR, PHARMACEUTICAL)	
COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING)	
NEURAL STEM CELLS, ASSAY)	
METHODS, AND SCREENING)	
METHODS)	

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicants reply to the Office Action mailed May 14, 2008, the period for response having been extended to October 14, 2008, by a request for extension of two months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper beginning at page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.